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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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**SERIAL NO.: 09/839,760**

FILED: APRIL 20, 2001

**FOR: CIGARETTE FILTERS OF SHAPED  
MICRO CAVITY FIBERS  
IMPREGNATED WITH FLAVORANT  
MATERIALS**

**ART UNIT: 1731**

**EXAMINER: D. A. WALLS**

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231**

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)**

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It is requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated July 2, 2002, be extended one month until November 4, 2002 (November 2 being a Saturday).

A check in the amount of \$110.00 covering the fee for such extension is attached.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any amount which may be required by this paper under 37 C.F.R. 1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-2775. This petition is being submitted in triplicate.

Respectfully submitted,  
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